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WRECKED AT SAMOA

Destruction of American and German Men-of-War.

AN APPALLING DISASTER

Ships Trenton and Vandalia Totally Disabled-List of the Americans who Perished.

LONDON, March 31.-Further particujust been received. The hurricane burst upon the harbor suddenly. The German man-oi-war Eber was the first vessel to drag her anchor. She became unmanageable and was driven helplessly on the reef, which runs around the harin the morning. The shock caused her to lurch and to stagger back, and she of her men were under batches and

The German war ship Adler was the next to succumb. She was lifted bodily by a gigantic wave and cast on her beam on the reef. A terrible struggle for life ensued among the officers and sailors. Many plunged into the raging surf and struck out, some reaching the shore in safety. Others clung to the rigging until the masts fell. Of those in The captain of the Adler and several ther officers were saved. Meantime the United States Steamer Nipsic had been dragging her anchors and drifting been dragging ner anchors and drining toward the shore. The captain, how-ever, managed to keep control and ran her on a sand bank. Boats were im-mediately lowered and the whole com-pany were saved with the exception of six men. These were drowned by the

capsizing of a boat.
The Vandalia was carried before the The Vandalia was carried before the gale right upon the reef. She strack with a terrible shock; hurling the captain against a gatiling gun and he fell stanned. Before he could recover a great wave swept the deck and washed him and others away into the sea. The vessel sank fifty yards from the Nipsic, and several of the officers and men went down with her. Others perished while making desperate efforts to swim to the shore. Some of the ship's companies right to save themselves by clinging to

rigdig, but heavy and swift running waves dashed over them and one by one alght had set in.

Many natives and Europeans had gahered on the shore all anxious to render assistance to the unfortunate crews, but owing to the darkness they were wholly unable to be of service. Soon after the Vandalia had sunk the American war ship Trenton broke from her anchorage and was driven upon the wreck of the Vandalia, whence she drifted to the shore. The bottom of the Trenton was completely stove and her held was half full of water.

As morning broke the German manol-war Olga, which had hitherto withsood the gale, although much battered by the heavy seas constantly broke upon her, became unmanageable and was driven upon the beach, where she lay in a tolerable favorable position. The following is a record of the officers and men lost.

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cers, except one, and 76 men.
Vandalia—The Captain, four officers Nusic-Seven men.

Alisac—Seven men.

Additional Allogether 15 persons.

Mataafa sent a number of his men to
the assistance of the wrecked ships.
They rendered splendid aid in trying to
float the Olga.

THE FIRST REPORTS.

Where the Wreck Took Place-Graphic

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 31 .- The first reports of the extent of the terrible fleets at Samoa are more than confirmed. At the Navy Department it was at first Secretary Tracey freely expressed his regret, but could not see cause to condemn tayone. The officers in command of the vewels were competent men, and had doubtiess adopted all proper precautions against disaster, but these hurricanes, which assumed cyclonic proportions, were simply irresistible, as was proved by the extent of the loss of vessels.

The following is the full text of the Admirai's report, as received:

AUCKLAND, March 20, 1889.

Serday of Nary, Washington:
Hurricane at Apia March 15. Every
vessel in harbor on shore except English
man-of-war Calhope, which got to sea.
Treuton and Vandalla total losses.
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saved. Chances against it. Will send
her to Ancigand if possible.

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Vandalis lost 4 officers and 29 men, Nancy: Captain Schoonmaker, Paymaster Arms, Lieutenant of Marines Satton, Pay Clark John Roach, Henry Baker, W. Brisbane, William Brown, Quartermaster Michael Cashen, M. Cragin, B. B. Davis, Thomas G. Downer, M. Erickson, S. C. Ghring, Adolph Goldner, George Gorman, U. B. Green, Joseph Griffin, E. M. Hammeur, John Ilanchett, C. H. Hawkins, W. Howat, Frank Jones, George Jordan, M. H. Joseph, John Kelly, N. Kinsella, C. P. Krätzer, Chas. Kraus, Fr. Lessman, George Merrage, Aylmer Montgomery, Thomas Riley, H. P. Stalman, C. G. Stanford, John Sims, G. H. Wells, John Millionl, Henry Wixted, Ahkow, Anpeck, Pendang, Techor.

Nipsic lost soven men, namely: Geo. W. Callan, John Gill, Joshua Heap, Ibomas Johnson, David Kelleer, Henry Poulsell, William Watson.

All saved from the Trenton. Trenton and Vandalia crews ashore. Nipsic's on board. All stores possible saved. German losses 60. Important to send Joseph Golds and Joseph Golds as aved. German losses 60. Important to send Joseph Golds and Joseph Golds as aved. German losses 80. Important to send Joseph Golds and Joseph Golds has been, Merchally mail.

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American war ships, says the storm swept the islands on the 16th inst. All the war ships attempted to put to sea, but only the English steamer Calliope succeeded in getting out. Merchant vessels suffered severely. The bark Peter Godefferey, one other bark and seven coasters were wrecked and four persons were drowned. The Calliope sailed for Sydney. The Peter Godefferey was a German bark.

It is the opinion of Admiral Harmony, who is familiar with the Samoan Islands, that the English man-of-war owed her escape to the fact that she had steam up and was enabled to push out to sea. The number of vessels in the small harbor was a source of dancer to them individually, for if one dragged her anchors, she would very probably collide with and carry away another ship which might otherwise have held securely.

BAD WEATHER ALL ALONG.

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It appears that the rainy season set in this year at Samoa with severity and rather early. On February 14, about a month before the fatal hurricane which swept sway our naval vessels, a heavy gaie descended upon the harbor and wrecked several merchant vessels, including the American barkentine Constitution, whose crow was saved by a boaf from the Nipsic. On February 25 the captain of the Nipsic, who, from his long stay at Apia, probably knew more about the characteristics of Samoan weather than the commanders of the other American vessels, wrote to his brother as follows:

We are now in the midst of the hurricane season, and until April 15 we look about a month before the fatal hurrican

cane season, and until April 15 we lool for heavy weather. The harbor is small with rocks outside and inside—bad held No coal here and nothing

ing ground. Ac coal nere and nothing to eat—everything very dear.

Capt. Richard W. Meade, the United States naval officer who commanded the Narragansett in Samoan waters in 1872, and now commandant of the Washington navy yard, said:

The harbor of Apia at Opula is a coral reef harbor, with an entrance about 1,500 yards wide and open to the north. It is not large and the anchorage ground is limited. During the yearly hurricane season, which lasts through December, January, February, March and April, is considered rather a risk to remain in Apia, while Pago Pago, in the neighboring island of Tutilla, is perfectly safe, being land lecked and otherwise sheltered. Hurricanes are, however, not very frequent at the Samoan islands, though they occur frequently at the Tonga group. They generally sweep up through the belt of ocean between Tonga and the Samoan groups.

In April, 1850, and in January, 1870, the islands were visited by terrific hurricanes which destroyed the occoant, hanana and bread fruit crops, reducing the natives to the verge of starvation for several weeks. These hurricanes are often accompanied by earthquakes, and the conjunction of the two work terrible injury. On the 26th of March, reef harbor, with an entrance about

and the conjunction of the two work terrible injury. On the 26th of March, 1883, all vessels in Apia harbor, except one small schooner, were driven out to sea and lost. This was attributed at the time to a series of heavy tidal waves caused by an earthquake. Considerable damage was done on shore also. On the whole, the climate of the Samoan Islands though variable, is very pleasant, bad weather only occurring during the winter months.

winter months.

At this time there are long and heavy At this time there are long and heavy rains, attended sometimes by high winds and northerly gales. Ordinarily the winds are light and variable, with frequent and sudden squalls. For the rest of the year the weather is very fine, and from May to November the trade wind blows steadily from the southeast. Except Captain Mullan, of the Nipsic, it is not known that any of the American commanding officers had ever had experience in those islands, or knew of the risks attending an attempt to ride out a hurricane inside the reef.

Lieutenant Edward E. Haydn is in charge of the Meteorological division of the Hydrographic office, and is regarded as quite an authority on the subject of marine storms. He says that the cycloni marine storms. He says that the cyclinds storms are a feature of the South Pacific region. They have a motion exactly the reverse of those occurring in the Northern Hemisphere, but otherwise have about the same characteristics.

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several times a year in some years. I again happens that two or three season go by without a storm. An experience seaman can detect the approach of such storms in the West Indies, but the same rule might not hold good in the Pacific

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Lieutenant Dyer, hydrographer to the Bureau of Navigation, gives a thrilling description of the hurricanes that prevail in the Samoan region. Whirling along its ocean pathway at an average velecity of nearly 20 miles an hour, it sends out a long rolling swell 1,000 miles in advance, and is heraided by a long, high, feathery plume of cirrus clouds, radiating far beyond the slowly thickening cirrus veil that casts its pale halo over the sun and moon, and at dawn and twilight envelops heaven and earth with an awful flery glare like the light of an awful flery glare like the light of some great conflagration.

A TERRIBLE SIGHT.

Soon the massive leaden-colored cloud bank heaves in sight above the horrizon -a great mountain range-and flying scud forms overhead and drifts to leeward, not with the surface wind, but at a marked angle to the right moving with the upper current of the great whirl wind. At intervals fine misty raise

cific from New Caledonia to Tabiti might

spring a leak, and that her steering gear may hold so that she may not broach to and be overwhelmed by the waves.

THE NEWS IN SAN FRANCISCO.

the Disaster Unprecedented—Grief of Friends and Relatives. San Francisco, March 31.—The news rom Samoa of the wrecking of the American and German men-of-war, in the harbor of Apis, caused intense excitement on the streets. Every bulletin poard was surrounded by an anxious board was surrounded by an anxious throng, eager for particulars. Some surprise was expressed that so much damage should have been done in the harbor, but officials say it must he remembered that the harbor of Apia is merely an open roadstead, surrounded by coral reefs.

Commodors John Irwin said concerning the disaster, that it was wholly unprecedented in the history of the Navy: "Not through the war period," he said. "Even along the Atlantic coast, was there

"Not through the war period," he said.
"Even along the Atlantic coast, was there any disaster comparable to this."

The loss of paymaster and clerk, with Captain Schoonmaker, of the Vandalla, is considered due to observance of the Naval rule that the captain should always be the last to leave his ship and the paymaster and clerk should not leave until just before the captain. The officers and crew of the Vandalia were well known in San Francisco, and there well known in San Francisco, and there were many touching scenes at the United States Pay office when the list of names of the dead was displayed. Many persons living in this city had friends or relatives on board the wrecked vessel.

A WEST VIRGINIAN AMONG THEM. Lieut, R. M. G. Brown, of Kingwood, or

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 31 .- Lieut. R. M. G. Brown, the executive officer of ble storm at Apia, Samoa, is the well known son-in-law of ex-Senator Henry G. Davis. His home is at Kingwood from which place he was appointed to the Naval Academy. He telegraphed Mrs. Brown from Auckland, New Zea-land, that he was safe.

The Queen Tenders Sympathy.
Washington, D. C., March 31.—Queen Victoria cabled through Lord Salisbury to the British Legation in this city to-day directing that her earnest sympathy be expressed to the President of the United States on the terrible naof the United States on the terrible na-val mislortune at Samoa and the de-plorable loss of life. Mr. Edwards, the British charge, accompanied by the Sec-retary of State, waited upon this after-noon and read to him the Queen's mea-sage. President Harrison expressed his warm appreciation and that of the whole people of this country, of the Queen's considerate sympathy in the calamity at Samoa. A thore formal reply would be made, the President said, through the Department of State.

New York, March 31.—Henry T. Hembold, the formerly well known patent medicine man, was sent to-day to Bellevue hospital from a police court, to be examined as to his sanity, upon complaint of his wife and son that he was so violent that they were afraid of

he well known theatrical manager, died at 7 o'clock this morning, at his home on West Tenth street. He was attacked with a stroke of paralysis in the box office of the Standard Theatre just before the opening of the matinee yesterday.

It is reported from Turin that Kossuth is dying.

The Austrian Emperor has been taken suddenly ill.

M. Antoine was banquet in Paris last night. He disclaimed a desire to revive the Patriotic League. Reuben Sands, aged 21, of New York, yesterday stabbod his brother George to death with a jack-knife.

In his regular Sunday lecture to his Bible class of 800, yesterday, in Phila-delphia, Postmaster-General Wanamaker advocated the Prohibition amendment. Joe Smith. negro who was engaged in working up evidence in the Clayton assassination case for the detectives, was murdered Saturday night at Plummer-ville, Arkansas.

An excursion train from Southport for An excursion train from southport for London, loaded with persons on their way to witness the Cambridge-Oxford boat race, Saturday, was derailed at Pen-istone and wrecked. One person was killed and 14 others were seriously hurt. killed and 14 others were seriously hurt.
At Findlay, O., yesterday, the New York, Mahoning & Western railroad succeeded in crossing the Lake Erie & Western, by a beld movement at an opportune time by 100 workmen, who had been concealed waiting for the track to be cleared of obstacles.

The Indiana Supreme Court has decided that John Dorsey, the Chicago

cided that John Dorsey, the Chicago and Atlantic engineer, who ran his locomolive into a passenger train at Koutk last October, and killed one of the pas-sengers, besides injuring several others, must be tried on the charge of man-

other seeming eternity of hell. Taking the world over the most violent hurricanes appear to be those of the West Indias and the Mauritins, then would come the October (selones in the Bay of Besgal and next to these the typhoons of the China seas.

The May cyclones of the Indian coasts and the rare hurricanes in the South Pacific from New Caledonia to Tabiti might

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The following was received at the Bepatiment of State from Minister Pendistron, at Berlin:

The foreign office has been officially informed that in a typhoon as Apis, the Samuel and Mark and State from Minister Pendistron, at Berlin:

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NATIONAL CAPITAL

Matters of Interest to West Vir ginia Office Seekers.

A GOODLY GRIST OF GOSSIP

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Patronage—Col. Poorman Declines a Place—Murat Halbert Stead's Rejection. Etc.

Special Dispatch to the Intelligencer.

Washington, D. C., March 31.—The position made vacant by the practical bouncement of Mat Manning in the Pension Bureau, got away from West Virginia as some of the visitors say there was no one here of indinence to look after it. A New Jersey man was appointed to the position before the West Virginians knew anything about it. It was the intention to push Mr. S. A. Hawk, of Hinton, for the place, but while the West Virginians were getting their ammunition ready the game estable interval of the the West Virginians were getting their ammunition ready the game estable journalism or even common journal of the Mest Virginia as some of the visitors say there was no one here of indinence to look after it. A New Jersey man was appointed to the position before the West Virginians knew anything about it. It was the intention to push Mr. S. A. Hawk, of Hinton, for the place, but the constant interruption and expression of dissent that came from all parts of the shanged his tactics, and made another personal appeal not to disgrace a great James of the West Virginia Legislature who have been there office-seeking are much put out over the announcement that persons who happen to be members of the Legislature ought to refrain from seeking appointments at this time for the reason that their services may be needed later on the assembly. It would seem, if this course had not been admit the hald not thought it was fun forthe boy, but death to the from the legislature ought to refrain from seeking appointments at this time for the reason that their services may be needed later on the assembly. It would seem, if this course had not thought in the the licenth and the legislature of the Legislature ought to refrain from seeking appointment at this time for the reason that their services may be needed later on the assembly. It would seem, if

Virginia Legislature who have been here office-seeking are much put out over the announcement that persons who happen to be members of the Legislature ought to refrain from seeking appointments at this time for the reason that their services may be needed later on the assembly. It would seem, if this course has been adopted, that Messrs. Parrish and Mayer, of Kanawha, and Duvall, of Brooke counties, are to be affected. Dr. Mayer, it is said, wants to be appointed to a consular position in Europe.

John A. Hutchinson, of Parkersburg was here during the past week, and was here during the past week, and there is consequently more talk of his being appointed District Attorney, Judge Flick also wants the position, and the impression here is that Mr. Cow-den's chances are diminishing, as the se-lection of Mr. Watts successor is de-layed. Still Mr. Cowden is regarded as the most formidable man for the place. It is argued, however, that if he should set the position, the probabilities are It is argued, however, that if he should get the position, the probabilities are that the Internal Revenue Collectorship will be given to some other portion of the State. Mr. John Miller, of Keyser, is said to be a strong man for the place if the District Attorneyship should go to Wheeling. With Mr. Mason, from Grafton, and the District Attorney from Wheeling, it is not believed that either Gen. Duvall or Mr. Fleming would have much show for the collectorship. Then the District Attorney would probably come from either the Third or Fourth district, and Mr. Hutchinson, of Parkersburg, is spoken of as the most likely man in that connection. The marshalship might go to Mr. McVey, or some other aspirant in his section of the State. Of course, all this is mere speculation by the gossips.

John S. McDonald, of Charleston, has been appointed Superintendent of the

been appointed Superintendent of the Public Building in that town. He has been here for some days urging his claims. Major McGinnis, who is still here, is credited with getting this appointment for McDonald.

OTHER MATTERS. There is yet a good deal of talk abou C. M. Shinn, of Fairmont, for Holly G. actually been promised to him. Still

this is not authoritatively known.

There is no prospect for a settlement of the contest for the postmastership at Buckhannon, but it is believed that Mr.

Buckhannon, but it is believed that Mr. Clarke will eventually get the place.
Congressman-elect Atkinson is expected here to-morrow.
A good many of the West Virginians have left the hotels and have secured cheaper quarters in boarding houses.
Quite a number of recruits to the West Virginia colony is expected here during the coming week.
Secretary of State Henry S. Walker and J. W. St. Clair, of Fayette county, were among the arrivals here this morning and departed mysteriously this evening. The object of their visit here is shrouded.

It is expected that the nomination of State Senator Coulter, of Steubenville, Ohio, to be Sixth Auditor of the Treas-Ars. Lillia Keramler, the woman as-saulted with a hatchet by her husband William K. Kemmler, in Buffalo, Fri-day, died at the hospital at 12:50 yester-day morning. She never regained con-sciousness.

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"Sherman looks pretty well for a man
who has just been through a thrashing
mill," said a Senator from the West, as
the tail Ohio statesman left the cafe,
Then he proceeded to explain that when
Mr. Sherman arose to open the debate,
he took the dignity of the Senate for his
text, and attempted to argue that it was
not impaired by such attacks as Mr.
Halstead had made upon it, or disfigured
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Halstead had ever made an apology for the expression he had used.

If Mr. Halstead believed an honorable man-would rest under such assaults as he had made upon the Senate, he was very poor judge of human nature, and he thought it was about time for the Senate to assert its dignity and establish a precedent by refusing to advise or consent to the appointment of such recklesseditors to office.

General Hawley, who is usually a peace-maker, and Mr. Blair, both spoke in favor of Halstead, and took the ground that the Senate was belittling itself by taking notice of such attacks. This call-

taking notice of such attacks. This call-ed out Mr. Evarts, who made another long speech, in which he reviewed the case and spoke at length regarding the liberty that was taken nowadays with private itves and characters of public men.

private lives and characters of public men,
Mr. Payne, too, made another appeal to the Senate of a somewhat personal nature, and said very plainly that he should consider the confirmation of Mr. Halstead as an expression of its approval of the attacks that had been made upon him.

Mr. Evarts then called attention to the precedents in the case, and said that a Democratic nominee for Postmaster in Virginia (meaning Mr. Button, of Lynchburg) had been rejected by the Senate on the same charges that they now propose to reject Mr. Halstead, and he appealed to the Republicans to be consistent and administer the same punishment to a member of their party who had been guilty of the same offense. Then a vote was taken, with the result as given above.

Mr. Quay's vote against Halstead caused a decided sensation, because of his relations with the administration and his position at the head of the Republican party. While he made no explanation, it is inferred that his action is the first expression of resentment toward Mr. Wannamaker for his selection of a man for the Philiadelphia postoffice who is personally sfensive to him.

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Both Mr. Teller and Mr. Cullom are at odds with the administration because of its failure to recognize them in the distribution of patronage. Both have urged personal friends for appointment to office, and both have been refused favors at the White House. No man that Cullom recommended has so far been appointed, and no man that has been recommended by Mr. Teller. This doubtless gave them immense satisfaction at the opportunity of rejecting one of the President's favorite nominees.

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THROUGH THE STATE

Accidents and Incidents in West Virginia and Vicinity.

A RIOT IN A SCHOOL HOUSE

In Barbour County-A Child's Disappearance-Young Lady Drowned. Happenings in the State Condensed for Hasty Readers.

Marietta has contracted for an electric

Chester Morgan, of Lincoln county, Wales 165 years ago. An ordinance has been passed by the Council of Uniontown, Pa., taxing book agents a license of one dollar per day.

Amos Dye, formerly of Ravenswood, this State, has been nominated by the Republicans of Cincinnati for Police Judge. The election takes place to-day, House rent in Huntington is high. Au ordinary frame dwelling with seven or eight rooms, in a favorable locality, brings from \$20 to \$25 per month, and houses are scarce at any price.

United States by bespattering Senators with language that neither Halstead nor Sherman would use in their drawing room, nor did he understand that Mr. He has a daughter aged 72 years. Mr. Halstead had ever made an apology for the expression he had used.

Marietta is to vote on a proposition to bond itself for \$100,000 to build water works. This will be the second time this question will have been voted on in that town and there is every reason fo believing that it will carry this time. The Commissioners appointed to rep-resent West Virginia at the Washington Inaugural Centennial, to be held in New York on the 20th and 30th of April, are called to meet at Parkersburg

o-morrow to take proper action to se-ure the necessary representation for the State.

Minnie Cokeley, an orphan, about 12 years old, who has been fiving with the lamily of James Culp, a short distance from Harrisville, ltitchic county, has mysteriously disappeared. She left the house to go to a nearby spring. The child had been acting strangely for some time has.

county, were excavating for the founda-tion for a new church last week, an entire human skeleton was discovered about three feet beneath the surface. Later thirteen other human skulls were unearthed. The spot is probably the site of an old Indian burying ground.

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It is reported that Edward T, Knight, well known as somewhat of a politician throughout Wood and Ritchie counties, committed suicide near Grafton, by shooting himself in the head. The cause is said to have been despondency over the marriage of his former mistress, Lave Rollins, to Henry Garrett, of Ritchie county. Lave Rollins, Ritchie county.

Ritchie county.

Near Ronceverte, Monroe county,
Garrett H. and William Brockman,
brothers, aged respectively about 52 and
50 years, were engaged in hauling ties,
and while in the act of crossing a railroad
track they were struck by a train running at a high rate of speed. Both men
were terribly injured and two of their
horses were killed.

Men Stockman the wife of Each Stock.

Mrs. Stockman, the wife of Fred Stock man, of Connecticut, committed suicide by cutting ner throat at her brother's house, Samuel Williamson, near Hedgesville, in Berkeley county, where she was visiting. Mr. Williamson's family missecher, and not finding her in her room went to the garret, where her dead body was found. Domestic trouble is said to have been the cause.

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THE WIER-MURPHY FIGHT

Comes-Off in Indiana—The Relfast Spider
Proves the Rest Man, but the Battle Not Finished.

CHICAGO, March 31.—The long talked of fight between the feather weights.

Level of the Miller of Spider and Spider was found on his person with one chamber recently discharged.

rascals have not been apprehended, and it is supposed they jumped a train and went on their way.

Secretary of State Walker has issued a certificate of incorporation to the "Bull Creek Booming Company." The principal office is to be at Waverly, and the charter is to expire March 25, 1910. The sum of \$300 has been subscribed to the capital stock, 10 per cent. of which has been paid in, with the privilege of increasing the same to \$10,000 in all. The capital is divided into shares of \$100 each, six of which are held by A. H. McTagart, of Williamstown; and one each by C. P. Ross, Rafus Corbett, R. N. Corbett and R. J. Corbett, of Waverly.

A report comes from Barbour county of quite a serious riot that occurred a few nights since at Elkins, on Leading creek. Imboden Stalnaker was conducting a singing school at that place, during the progress of which a gang of ten or twelve toughs entered the place and undertook to break the school up. A general fight ensued and the roughs got the worst of it by odds. One of them named Bonn Hinkle was hit over the head with a poker, and had his skull fractured. The mob made a special attack on George W. Cunningham and got him cornered in a tight place; he then pulled a knife and cut his way out. In slashing right and left he cut several of the roughs in a painful manner about the arms and hands, and almost disemboweled Lew Wool. The roughs will be prosecuted.

prosecuted.

A rather romantic wedding took place in Ritchie county last week, Mr. E. M. Summers and Miss Malinda Grimm being married on horse-back, at the P. & was sentenced to the penitentiary for H. railroad depot, by Rev. D. F. Hay two years for forgery, has been granted

an appeal.

John Crunbley, who was sentenced to the penitentiary for two years for killing J. W. Matheney, has also been granted an appeal.

A Crook Captured.

PARKERSBURG, W. VA., March 31. Samuel A. Smith, a slick individual from Beverly, Ohio, was arrested here yesterday evening by Chief of Police Mehen. He is wanted at Beverly for grand larceny. Mr. Mehen pronounces him a prefessional crook and black-leg. Popular Weston Ludy Dead.

ecial Dispatch to the Intelligencer.
WESTON, W. VA., March 31,-Mrs. William L. Dunnington, wife of one of Weston's most prosperous merchants, ing. She was a lady much esteemed by her numerous friends and loved dearly by her relatives.

Special Dispatch is the Intelligencer.

WESTON, W. VA., March 31.—Mr. T.
G. Dawson and M. J. Casey, invested with the power from Governor Wilson, leave in the morning for Grand Forks, Dakota. They go after Richard Dowell, the West murderer.

THE WHEEL

apid Growth of Cycling in Wheeling. More New Riders Than Ever Before. Every day adds to the number of new could forward bicycles as fast as they are ordered, many more new faces would be seen whirling over the brick paved being two low wheels of the same or nearly the same size, is the prime favor-ite. The run this year is on machines of this type, which combine ease and speed with safety to the rider. One Wheeling dealer alone has already sold about thirty of these machines and "still there's more to follow."

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On any pleasant evening until far into the night, learners may be seen on Main street, between Twelfth and the bridge, trying their first paces. It is remarkable how rapidly the low wheels are mastered.

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again in eight heats that may be looked upon as second race. The winners of these heats will follow the same course as is mapped out for the winners of the first round, and the successful men will take the fourth, fifth and sixth prizes. The 24 remaining men will go through the same process exactly, the winners taking seventh, eighth and ninth prises. There will be a large number of other eyents of various characters.

clothing in some manner took fire and before it could be extinguished the young isdy was badly burned. She linguished the young isdy was bout 10 years of age.

About 9 o'clock stainday night as James M. Billmyer was about closing this store at Vancteverville. Berkeley of county three roughly dressed strangers and the season at the property of the p

A LETTER FROM THE POPE

To Cardinal Gibbons in Reply to the Archbishops.

KEENLY APPRECIATES

The Loyalty of the Catholics of the United States-An Apostolic Benediction-An Irish Priest Indicted-Foreign News.

BALTIMORE, MD., March 31.-The owing is the letter of Pope Leo XIII Cardinal Gibbons, in reply to a letter of the Archbishop of the United States:

To Our Beloved Son, James, Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop of Baltimore: Beloved Son, health and Apostolic

The Our Beloved Son, James, Cardinal Glabona, Archibishop of Belimore:

Beloved Son, health and Apostolic benediction.

We have read your impressive and powerful letter of the Soth of December, written in your own name and in that of the other Archibishops. It does honor to you, while it affords no little consolation. For nothing could be more appropriate to the time or more worthy of your high effice than the public defense of the liberty and rights of the apostolic and the devout clergy of Italy against the attacks of those who, holding in forcible possession of our city, endeavor by threats of punishment to stifle the very voices of those whose duty it is to proclaim the laws of the church. And because you have made this defense with prudence and vigor; both justice and religion owe you a debt of gratitude—and this the more because your defense had the merit of constancy. These striking proofs of your faith and zeal serve to bind our hearts in closer union and inspire us with the pleasing hope that your words will have weight with those even who, shough not in communion with us, are at least unbiased witnesses of the injuries inflicted upon us and the church. Moreover, we are consoled not only because your declarations, which are in accord with those of the other dignataries of the church may win the zealous support of the upright and intelligent men; but we refer especially in this that your prayers, united with those of the rest of the faithful, confirms and increases our confidence in Almighty power and ever watchful providence of God. Sustained by this hope and praying that the fulness of heavenly gifts may descend upon 'ou, beloved son, upon the other archibishops of the United States and upon the clergy and faithful entrusted to your and their care, we impart to you and them, as a pledge of our love, the apostolic benediction.

Given at St. Peter's at Rome on the 19th day of February in the year of our Lord 1889, the 11th year of our ponti; ficate.

Leo XIII, Pore.

A Priest Indicted for Murder.

Dublin, March 31.-A prima facia has been found against Father McFadden for participation in the murder of Police Inspector Martin, with a party of policemen, attempted to arrest Father McFadden for offences under the crimes act. The time chosen to make the arrest was immediately after the priest had celebrated mass in his chapel.

Members of the congregation rescued Father McFadden from the police, and he had nearly reached the door of his house when Inspector Martin siezed him. At that moment a stone was fired, inflicting injuries which caused his death a short time after. has been found against Father McFad-

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Many touring parties are being talked of by local wheelmen.

Wheelmen who ride at nights should have lanterns, for their own protection as well as that of others.

The cyclometer tells how far you have gone, but deem't pull you up hill.

Many persons are eyeing enviously a tandem tricycle suitable for "two minds with but a single thought."

Drivers who try to inconvenience wheelmen forget that the convenience of the judges of the Supreme Court of the first degree and subtraction was granted to empression the first degree to take an appeal to the Supreme Court of Appeals. This stay would have expired April 5, next Friends and the convenience of the judges of the supreme Court of Appeals. This stay would have expired April 5, next Friends and the judges of the judges of the judges of the judges of the court of the judges of the court in the first degree and with of ounsel, returned last night from

was this fact which led a great man people to believe the case would nov be taken up.

PRETTY FLOY CROWELL Supported by an Excellent Company at the

Grand This Week,

The engagement of Miss Floy Crowell will commence at the Grand Opera House this evening in Howard P. Taylor's

House this evening in Howard P. Taylor's beautiful drama "Infatuation." Miss Crowell is supported by an excellent company, and her engagement here will undoubtedly be most successful. In speaking of this beautiful young star the New York Sun says:

It was a very enthusiastic and much pleased audience that departed from the Criterion Theatre last evening affer secing Miss Floy Crowell in Taylor's beautiful society play "Infatuation." This is Miss Crowell's first appearance in Brooklyn or New York, and her success as a debutante in this city should he highly gratifying to the little lady. The pordebutante in this city should be highly gratifying to the little lady. The por-trayal of the character of the wronged and deserted wife of a wayward husband offered an excellent opportunity for the display of Miss Crowell's emotional act-

Base Ball Briefs.

team.
Sol. White, the Bilaire base ballist,

Sol. White, the Bliaire base ballist, was telegraphed for by the Gorman base ball club, of New York City, and left Saturday afternoon to join it.

Manager Loftus, of the Cleveland club, writes that he will dispose of Duck, Flanagan and Nicholson, not that those players are not doing good work, but because the others are doing so well that he thinks he can spare them without jeopardising the interests of the club.